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Applicant(s): Bradley N. Maker

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PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REQUEST FOR REVIEW

Sir:

A review of the final rejection of Claims 1, 4-41, and 43-47 in the above-referenced application is hereby requested. This request is being filed with a Notice of Appeal. Claims 1, 4-41, and 43-47, as set forth in the Amendment of November 3, 2005, have been finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the Examiner asserts that the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

The review is requested for the reasons set forth in the attached document.

Respectfully submitted,



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